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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: WANG, Xiao Bing et al.

Serial No.: 09/862,417

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For: **ISOMETRIC PRIMER EXTENSION
METHOD AND KIT FOR DETECTION
AND QUANTIFICATION OF SPECIFIC
NUCLEIC ACID**

Confirmation No: 8468

Examiner: Chakrabarti, Arun

Group Art Unit: 1634

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

December 27, 2002

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The Office Action from Examiner Arun Chakrabarti, in Art Unit 1634, dated 28 August 2002, has been received and carefully reviewed. In response thereto, Applicants cancel claims 5, 7, 8 and 10, and amend claims 1-4, 6, 9, 11-14, 18-19, 22, 24-28, 31-34, and 36-38 as follows. Applicants have also added new claims 41-47. A check for payment of the new claims has been included. Applicants have also submitted a petition and fee for an extension of time.

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